



Cincinnati Police Department

# STAFF NOTES

April 11, 2006

*Colonel Thomas H. Streicher, Jr., Police Chief*



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**1. CINCINNATI MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 910-23, POSSESSION OF MARIJUANA**

Department personnel are reminded that the use of Cincinnati Municipal Code (CMC) Section 910-23, Possession of Marijuana, is not discretionary. Officers are required to charge individuals found in possession of less than 200 grams of marijuana under CMC 910-23, not under Ohio Revised Code 2925.11, Drug Possession. Those individuals found in possession of over 200 grams of marijuana should still be charged with the applicable felony offense under Ohio Revised Code.

CMC 910-23 was passed as an emergency ordinance and went into effect on March 29, 2006. There is no 30 day waiting period to enforce CMC 910-23.

Officers should review the April 04, 2006, Staff Notes for questions concerning the application of CMC 910-23 and to access an electronic copy of the ordinance.

**2. PRIVATE POLICE ORGANIZATIONS**

There are currently three private police organizations commissioned by the Cincinnati Police Department. They are the Cincinnati Private Police, Cincinnati Special Police, and the Cincinnati Metropolitan Police.

These organizations are bound by the Private Police Commission's Rules and Regulations Manual. This manual has been recently posted to our Department's Intranet. All sworn personnel should review this manual to be familiar with the requirements and limited authority under which private police officers operate.

Any Cincinnati police officers observing conduct or circumstances involving private police officers which they believe violates or conflicts with the Private Police Commission's Rules and Regulations Manual will notify an on-duty Cincinnati police supervisor. The supervisor will respond to the scene and investigate the circumstances. If a violation has occurred, the supervisor will complete a Form 17 to the Police Chief outlining the details of the alleged violation.

Any questions concerning private police officers may be directed to Lieutenant Robert Hungler, Traffic Section, at 352-2502.

**3. DONATED TIME FOR CLERK TYPIST 2 KELLY SCHWAB**

Clerk Typist 2 Kelly Schwab, Criminal Investigation Section, has exhausted all of her sick and vacation balances due to health and family issues. Any Department member wishing to voluntarily donate time for Ms. Schwab should submit a Form 25S to their district/section/unit commander, listing Kelly Schwab's name, section, the kind of time, and the number of hours being donated. Sick time may not be donated. The donor's rank and signature must appear on the Form 25S.

**4. THANK YOU LETTERS**

[Attached](#) to these Staff Notes are several letters of appreciation and praise written to the Police Chief for the professionalism displayed by our Department and specifically the following officers:

Police Specialist Jerry Enneking  
Police Officer Chris Thomas  
Police Officer Donald Jordan

Police Specialist Joy Ludgatis  
Police Officer Howard Smith  
Police Officer Eric Pryor

# City of Cincinnati



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March 31, 2006

Colonel Thomas H. Streicher  
Chief, City of Cincinnati Police Division  
310 Ezzard Charles Drive  
Cincinnati, Ohio 45214

Dear Colonel Streicher:

I wish to express my appreciation for the cooperation I received from Officer Jerry Enneking and other members of the Traffic Unit during the preparation for trial of a Vehicular Homicide/Manslaughter case which was recently before the Court.

Officer Enneking provided me crucial insight into police policy, accident reconstruction and relevant law. He provided a most comprehensive and well-prepared evidence packet, with all witness data, DVR of all photographs of the accident scene, and diagrams for use as exhibits, and offered other investigative assistance. Even though I requested some of this assistance at the last minute, he was always courteous, professional, and efficient. His help was invaluable.

I am most grateful for the cooperation and support I received from Officer Enneking and other officers.

Sincerely Yours,

Lura Clark Teass  
Assistant Prosecutor  
City of Cincinnati

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Cincinnati, OH 45231

March 29, 2006

Thomas Streicher, Chief  
Cincinnati Police Department  
310 Ezzard Charles Dr.  
Cincinnati, OH 45214

Chief Streicher,

We would like to take this opportunity to thank two of your officers  
Christopher Thomas and Howard Smith for a job well done.

On March 18, we had the regrettable task of putting our mother to rest.  
After the church service, we had over seventy-five cars in a procession  
going to the cemetery. These two officers did an excellent job in making  
sure we all arrived safely.

We all know that we are living in a time when officers are very  
unappreciated. Please let Officers Thomas and Smith know they are very  
much appreciated and we thank them for their professional and courteous  
service.

The Family of  
Evelyn L. Johnson

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**SYCAMORE HOTEL**  
**7759 READING ROAD**  
**CINCINNATI, OH 45237**  
*513-761-2575 phone – 513-761-1377 fax*

April 4, 2006

Captain Richard Schmalz  
District Four Police  
4150 Reading Road  
Cincinnati, OH 45229

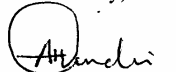
Dear Captain Schmalz,

On behalf of the Sycamore Hotel's management and staff, thank you and your staff (all the District Four officers and dispatchers) for your continuing assistance in our business and community relations efforts.

Our staff has standing instructions to cooperate fully with law enforcement officers so that we can continue to help each other in managing the problems of safety and security.

Also, I appreciate you personally taking time to write a note of appreciation to our Operations Supervisor, Bill McCulloch.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ashvin Gandhi", enclosed within a circular stamp or seal.

Ashvin Gandhi  
President



Region 32 Business Office  
13 Mary Street  
Cincinnati, OH 45216

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TO: Tom Streicher  
Chief of Police, Cincinnati Police Dept.  
FR: Tim Gaffney  
Regional Loss Prevention Manager  
CVS / Pharmacy  
RE: CVS Pharmacy Armed Robberies

Chief Streicher,

I wanted to take this time to Thank You and your Department, and commend your Officers for their help and assistance in a recent problem's we had in our stores.

Two very violent armed robberies happened, one on 3/14/06 at our UC Campus Store and one on 3/16/06 at our Colerain Ave location.

Detective Joy Ludgatis responded to the calls, she put my Crew Members as well as myself at ease, and showed determination in resolving these crimes.

I just wanted to let you know that All of Your Officers handled this in a very timely and professional manner.

Thanks Again

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Dave Henry".

CC: Dave Henry, ALPD CVS  
Bob Comorosky, Regional Manager CVS



# SAINT URSULA ACADEMY

PREPARING WOMEN FOR A CHANGING WORLD

March 30, 2006

Thomas H. Streicher, Jr.  
Chief of Police  
310 Ezzard Charles Drive  
Cincinnati, OH 45214

Dear Chief Streicher,

On behalf of everyone associated with St. Ursula Academy I want to commend our School Resource Officer, Eric Pryor for alerting us so quickly Tuesday afternoon about the incident that was unfolding at the Fifth Third Bank on Victory Parkway near McMillan. Because of his fast action the Principal was able to inform the teachers and students immediately that the school was on "lock down". Consequently none of our students and staff was ever in danger despite the violence that occurred about two blocks from our campus.

Throughout this school year we have certainly been well served by Officer Pryor. He has been a great help to us in educating our students on how to comport themselves in an urban setting. His quick action on our behalf Tuesday was just another way in which he has been an asset to St. Ursula Academy.

We informed the parents of our students Tuesday afternoon of what had occurred near our school and were so pleased to be able to inform them that we had been protected by "Cincinnati's finest". I'm sure you can understand that the safety of our students is a top priority for our parents and also for our school. We appreciate the Cincinnati Police Department working so closely in partnership with us.

St. Ursula Academy has been at 1339 E. McMillan Street for 95 years. There have been challenges for us over the years, but we have never wavered from our commitment to stay here and offer our students who come here from every corner of Greater Cincinnati access to the many cultural and artistic assets of our city. We could not do that today without the assistance of the Cincinnati Police Department and the School Resource Officer program.

Sincerely,

Judith A. Wimberg  
President, St. Ursula Academy

cc: Officer Eric Pryor



March 27, 2006

Cincinnati Police Department /District 4  
4150 Reading Road  
Cincinnati, OH 45229

Re: Officer Donald Jordan

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Dear Lt. Denise Carpenter & Sgt. William Bell,

My name is Ericka P. Fortson and I have been acquainted with Officer Donald Jordan both professionally and personally for approximately 12 years. Throughout these years Donald has proven to be committed to improving the Cincinnati community by being a positive role model for young people.

This past Saturday, Donald with the help of the Rockdale staff organized a luncheon (*Lunch with the Ladies*) at Rockdale Middle School where I was invited to be a speaker. I was impressed with the presentation of the event as well as the number of students, parents and teachers that attended. The luncheon was a significant benefit to those who participated. There was an open discussion surrounding female adolescent issues to include peer pressure, preparation for college, getting involved with school activities and options available to them should they become subjected to abusive relationships.

As a social worker I believe that Donald's character and dedication to our young people is essential to building relationships, building self esteem and building dreams. Donald's contribution significantly continues to enhance the lives of our children by promoting excellence. It is with great honor that I write this letter to acknowledge Donald's tenacious allegiance to our community and our children.

Sincerely,

Ericka P. Fortson, LSW, MSW